IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kyoichi WATANABE et al.

Title: ELECTRODE, BATTERY, AND METHOD OF

MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Appl. No.: 10/560,047

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Enclosed are:
 - [X] Amendment/Reply.

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extra Claim Present	S	Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):						\$810.00	=	\$810.00
Total Claims:	29	-	31	= 0	x	\$52.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	4	-	6	= 0	x	\$220.00	==	\$0.00
First p	resentation of	f any	Multiple D	Pependent Claim	s: +	\$390.00	=	\$0.00
				CLAIM	S FE	E TOTAL:	=	\$810.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$130.00 0	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]				
\$490.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:	[X]				
\$1,110.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:	[]				
\$1,730.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	[]				
\$2,350.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	[]				
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EXTENSION FEE TOTAL						
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:						
Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):						
[] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)						
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	\$490.00 \$1,110.00 \$1,730.00 \$2,350.00 BTOTAL: DY PAID: - EE TOTAL E TOTAL: of above): \$1.103(c)	Extension for response filed within the second month: \$490.00 Extension for response filed within the third month: \$1,110.00 Extension for response filed within the fourth month: \$1,730.00 Extension for response filed within the fifth month: \$2,350.00 EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL: EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: - EXTENSION FEE TOTAL CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL: Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):				

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$1300.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

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